

Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

January 2007

UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended January 20, 2007, there were 493,400 persons employed in Saskatchewan during January 2007, a decrease of 3,900 from December 2006 but 22,600 more than the number employed in January 2006.

Agricultural employment was 42,600 persons in January 2007, down 2,200 from the December 2006 level and 1,600 less than the January 2006 agricultural employment level of 44,200. Non-agricultural employment was 450,800 persons in January 2007. This is a decrease of 1,700 from the December 2006 non-agriculture employment level of 452,500 but 24,200 more than January 2006.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for January 2007 was 4.6 percent. This is an increase of 0.7 percentage points from the December 2006 rate of 3.9 percent but 1.3 percentage points lower than the January 2006 level of 5.9 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force decreased by 200 to 517,100 persons in January 2007 from 517,300 persons in December 2006. This is 17,000 more than the January 2006 labour force of 500,100 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate fell 0.1 percentage points to 69.2 percent in January 2007 from 69.3 percent in December 2006. The January 2006 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 66.9 percent.

There were 23,800 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during January 2007. This is an increase of 3,800 from December 2006 but is 5,500 less than the number unemployed in January 2006.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 505,100 persons employed in Saskatchewan in January 2007, up 2,300 from the December 2006 level of 502,800 and is also up 22,000 from the January 2006 employment level of 483,100 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for January 2007 was 4.1 percent. This is an increase of 0.1 percentage points from the December 2006 rate of 4.0 percent but 1.1 percentage points lower than the January 2006 rate of 5.2 percent.

CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment decreased by 209,600 persons in January 2007 to 16,364,900 persons from 16,574,500 persons in December 2006. In January 2006, there were 15,949,100 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate increased 1.0 percentage points to 6.7 percent from the December 2006 level of 5.7 percent. In January 2006, Canada's unemployment rate was 7.2 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 6.2 percent in January 2007. This is 0.1 percentage points higher than December 2006 but 0.4 percentage points lower than the January 2006 level of 6.6 percent.

For more details, contact the Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics at (306) 787-6327 or visit www.stats.gov.sk.ca

TABLE 1

SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES

	January 2007	December 2006	January 2006	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADA					
Labour Force ('000)	17,547.2	17,577.9	17,179.1	-30.7	368.1
Employed ('000)	16,364.9	16,574.5	15,949.1	-209.6	415.8
Full-Time ('000)	13,186.8	13,425.8	12,882.9	-239.0	303.9
Part-Time ('000)	3,178.1	3,148.7	3,066.2	29.4	111.9
Unemployed ('000)	1,182.3	1,003.4	1,230.0	178.9	-47.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.7	5.7	7.2	1.0	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	6.2	6.1	6.6	0.1	-0.4
Participation Rate (%)	66.5	66.7	66.0	-0.2	0.5
SASKATCHEWAN					
Labour Force ('000)	517.1	517.3	500.1	-0.2	17.0
Employed ('000)	493.4	497.3	470.8	-3.9	22.6
Full-Time ('000)	394.3	397.6	374.8	-3.3	19.5
Part-Time ('000)	99.0	99.7	96.0	-0.7	3.0
Unemployed ('000)	23.8	20.0	29.3	3.8	-5.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	3.9	5.9	0.7	-1.3
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	4.1	4.0	5.2	0.1	-1.1
Participation Rate (%)	69.2	69.3	66.9	-0.1	2.3
ALBERTA					
Labour Force ('000)	1,975.9	1,963.3	1,854.1	12.6	121.8
Employed ('000)	1,901.9	1,899.5	1,780.2	2.4	121.7
Full-Time ('000)	1,585.1	1,594.4	1,464.8	-9.3	120.3
Part-Time ('000)	316.8	305.2	315.4	11.6	1.4
Unemployed ('000)	74.0	63.8	73.9	10.2	0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	3.2	4.0	0.5	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	3.3	3.3	3.5	0.0	-0.2
Participation Rate (%)	73.1	72.9	71.4	0.2	1.7
MANITOBA					
Labour Force ('000)	611.0	610.1	603.3	0.9	7.7
Employed ('000)	579.8	585.4	574.1	-5.6	5.7
Full-Time ('000)	462.4	465.0	448.3	-2.6	14.1
Part-Time ('000)	117.3	120.4	125.8	-3.1	-8.5
Unemployed ('000)	31.3	24.7	29.2	6.6	2.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.1	4.0	4.8	1.1	0.3
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	4.6	4.1	4.4	0.5	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	68.3	68.3	67.8	0.0	0.5

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 2

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	January <u>2007</u>	December <u>2006</u>	January <u>2006</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>LABOUR FORCE ('000)</u>	517.1	517.3	500.1	-0.2	17.0
Male	274.5	275.6	267.5	-1.1	7.0
Female	242.6	263.4	232.6	-20.8	10.0
15-24 Years of Age	96.6	97.2	87.3	-0.6	9.3
25+ Years of age	420.5	420.1	412.8	0.4	7.7
<u>EMPLOYED ('000)</u>	493.4	497.3	470.8	-3.9	22.6
Male	260.7	263.4	248.5	-2.7	12.2
Female	232.7	233.9	222.4	-1.2	10.3
15-24 Years of Age	87.5	90.1	76.5	-2.6	11.0
25+ Years of age	405.9	407.2	394.4	-1.3	11.5
<u>UNEMPLOYED ('000)</u>	23.8	20.0	29.3	3.8	-5.5
Male	13.9	12.1	19.1	1.8	-5.2
Female	9.9	7.9	10.2	2.0	-0.3
15-24 Years of Age	9.2	7.1	10.9	2.1	-1.7
25+ Years of age	14.6	12.9	18.4	1.7	-3.8
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>	4.6	3.9	5.9	0.7	-1.3
Male	5.1	4.4	7.1	0.7	-2.0
Female	4.1	3.3	4.4	0.8	-0.3
15-24 Years of Age	9.5	7.3	12.5	2.2	-3.0
25+ Years of age	3.5	3.1	4.5	0.4	-1.0
<u>PARTICIPATION RATE (%)</u>	69.2	69.3	66.9	-0.1	2.3
	74.5	74.9	72.6	-0.4	1.9
Female	64.1	63.9	61.4	0.2	2.7
15-24 Years of Age	70.4	70.8	63.2	-0.4	7.2
25+ Years of age	69.0	69.0	67.7	0.0	1.3

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 3

SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE

	<u>January</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>December</u> <u>2006</u>	<u>January</u> <u>2006</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>INDUSTRY ('000)</u>					
Agriculture	42.6	44.8	44.2	-2.2	-1.6
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	22.9	22.6	21.2	0.3	1.7
Utilities	4.0	4.0	4.4	0.0	-0.4
Construction	27.5	29.8	24.9	-2.3	2.6
Manufacturing	28.3	27.9	28.9	0.4	-0.6
Trade	82.4	86.6	72.9	-4.2	9.5
Transportation and Warehousing	25.4	24.8	24.1	0.6	1.3
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	24.9	26.8	26.6	-1.9	-1.7
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	20.1	19.9	17.3	0.2	2.8
Business, Building and Other Support Services	10.9	10.7	12.8	0.2	-1.9
Educational Services	41.6	40.5	40.2	1.1	1.4
Health Care and Social Assistance	64.6	61.1	59.4	3.5	5.2
Information, Culture and Recreation	18.6	19.3	18.0	-0.7	0.6
Accommodation and Food Services	30.0	30.7	27.8	-0.7	2.2
Other Services	23.3	21.7	21.0	1.6	2.3
Public Administration	26.2	25.9	27.2	0.3	-1.0
Total	493.4	497.3	470.8	-3.9	22.6
<u>HOURS OF WORK ('000)</u>					
Full-Time	394.3	397.6	374.8	-3.3	19.5
Part-Time	99.0	99.7	96.0	-0.7	3.0
<u>CLASS OF WORKER ('000)</u>					
Employees	398.2	401.6	377.7	-3.4	20.5
Public Sector	123.0	119.7	121.1	3.3	1.9
Private Sector	275.3	281.9	256.6	-6.6	18.7
Self-Employed	95.1	95.7	93.2	-0.6	1.9

Source: Statistics Canada, Labour Force Survey

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TABLE 4

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	<u>January</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>December</u> <u>2006</u>	<u>January</u> <u>2006</u>	<u>Change from</u> <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u>					
Canada	16,364.9	16,574.5	15,949.1	-209.6	415.8
Newfoundland & Labrador	198.6	211.9	193.9	-13.3	4.7
Prince Edward Island	64.8	66.0	63.0	-1.2	1.8
Nova Scotia	432.4	444.5	425.0	-12.1	7.4
New Brunswick	342.4	349.0	342.9	-6.6	-0.5
Quebec	3,701.1	3,757.5	3,639.1	-56.4	62.0
Ontario	6,437.2	6,543.9	6,337.6	-106.7	99.6
Manitoba	579.8	585.4	574.1	-5.6	5.7
Saskatchewan	493.4	497.3	470.8	-3.9	22.6
Alberta	1,901.9	1,899.5	1,780.2	2.4	121.7
British Columbia	2,213.4	2,219.6	2,122.5	-6.2	90.9
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>					
Canada	6.7	5.7	7.2	1.0	-0.5
Newfoundland & Labrador	18.1	14.1	18.8	4.0	-0.7
Prince Edward Island	13.9	13.6	14.3	0.3	-0.4
Nova Scotia	8.9	6.8	9.0	2.1	-0.1
New Brunswick	8.8	8.2	9.8	0.6	-1.0
Quebec	8.8	7.5	9.6	1.3	-0.8
Ontario	6.6	5.4	6.6	1.2	0.0
Manitoba	5.1	4.0	4.8	1.1	0.3
Saskatchewan	4.6	3.9	5.9	0.7	-1.3
Alberta	3.7	3.2	4.0	0.5	-0.3
British Columbia	4.8	4.6	5.8	0.2	-1.0

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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TABLE 5

SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**(3 Month Moving Average)**

	<u>Nov-Jan</u> <u>2007</u>	<u>Oct-Dec</u> <u>2006</u>	<u>Nov-Jan</u> <u>2006</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
CANADIAN CITIES					
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</u>					
St. John's	7.4	6.7	8.3	0.7	-0.9
Halifax	4.4	4.1	5.4	0.3	-1.0
Saint John	5.0	4.3	4.9	0.7	0.1
Quebec	6.1	5.3	4.9	0.8	1.2
Montreal	7.7	7.5	9.7	0.2	-2.0
Ottawa-Gatineau	5.6	5.3	5.1	0.3	0.5
Greater Sudbury	5.9	6.1	7.5	-0.2	-1.6
Toronto	6.0	6.0	5.9	0.0	0.1
Winnipeg	4.9	4.4	4.0	0.5	0.9
Regina	4.4	4.1	5.0	0.3	-0.6
Saskatoon	3.4	3.0	5.4	0.4	-2.0
Calgary	2.9	2.7	4.6	0.2	-1.7
Edmonton	3.9	3.5	4.3	0.4	-0.4
Vancouver	4.3	4.0	4.5	0.3	-0.2
Victoria	3.1	3.4	4.0	-0.3	-0.9
SASKATCHEWAN					
<u>ECONOMIC REGIONS</u>					
<u>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</u>					
Regina-Moose Mountain	150.2	151.3	143.1	-1.1	7.1
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	53.9	54.4	51.8	-0.5	2.1
Saskatoon-Biggar	160.8	160.8	147.8	0.0	13.0
Yorkton-Melville	39.2	39.7	41.7	-0.5	-2.5
Prince Albert & Northern	92.2	92.8	90.4	-0.6	1.8

Note: All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)

TABLE 6

**SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY
FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER**

(3 Month Moving Average)

	Nov-Jan <u>2007</u>	Oct-Dec <u>2006</u>	Nov-Jan <u>2006</u>	Change from <u>Last Month</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
<u>TOTAL POPULATION</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	515.9	516.6	500.7	-0.7	15.2
Employed ('000)	494.8	497.8	474.6	-3.0	20.2
Unemployed ('000)	21.1	18.8	26.1	2.3	-5.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	3.6	5.2	0.5	-1.1
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	69.2	66.9	-0.1	2.2
Employment Rate (%)	66.3	66.7	63.4	-0.4	2.9
<u>NON-ABORIGINAL</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	477.1	478.5	463.7	-1.4	13.4
Employed ('000)	460.4	463.9	443.7	-3.5	16.7
Unemployed ('000)	16.6	14.6	20.0	2.0	-3.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.5	3.0	4.3	0.5	-0.8
Participation Rate (%)	69.4	69.6	67.2	-0.2	2.2
Employment Rate (%)	67.0	67.5	64.3	-0.5	2.7
<u>ABORIGINAL</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	38.8	38.1	37.1	0.7	1.7
Employed ('000)	34.4	33.9	30.9	0.5	3.5
Unemployed ('000)	4.5	4.2	6.1	0.3	-1.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.5	11.1	16.5	0.4	-5.0
Participation Rate (%)	65.6	64.4	64.1	1.2	1.5
Employment Rate (%)	58.1	57.3	53.5	0.8	4.6
<u>NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	15.6	15.0	14.7	0.6	0.9
Employed ('000)	13.5	13.1	11.2	0.4	2.3
Unemployed ('000)	2.1	1.9	3.6	0.2	-1.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	13.2	12.8	24.1	0.4	-10.9
Participation Rate (%)	57.9	55.8	56.1	2.1	1.8
Employment Rate (%)	50.3	48.7	42.5	1.6	7.8
<u>METIS</u>					
Labour Force ('000)	23.3	23.1	22.3	0.2	1.0
Employed ('000)	20.9	20.8	19.7	0.1	1.2
Unemployed ('000)	2.4	2.3	2.6	0.1	-0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.3	9.9	11.5	0.4	-1.2
Participation Rate (%)	72.0	71.7	70.7	0.3	1.3
Employment Rate (%)	64.6	64.6	62.6	0.0	2.0

Notes:

1. The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)
4. Caution should be used when interpreting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

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